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Bellflower Man Out on Bail for Televised Pursuit Case Charged with Assault, Hit-and-Run

A 20-year-old man has been charged with assault weeks after being charged for a police pursuit through the streets of Hollywood, Cerritos and South Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced today.

Herschel Gene Jose Reynolds (dob 12/8/95) of Bellflower was charged yesterday with one felony count each of assault with a deadly weapon, a motorcycle, and hit-and-run driving resulting in injury to another person.

Case SA092831 includes one misdemeanor count of destroying evidence, the front of a motorcycle, and an allegation that Reynolds was out on bail for case VA141652 which charges him with several felonies including hit-and-run driving resulting in property damage and fleeing a pursuing peace officer's motor vehicle while driving recklessly.

Reynolds pleaded not guilty and is scheduled back on May 24 in Department W31 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch. He is also scheduled at the Bellflower Branch, Department 3, on May 10 for case VA141652.

On April 16, Reynolds is charged with crashing his motorcycle into a car driving on the UCLA campus and refusing to exchange insurance information, prosecutors said. When the victim attempted to stop the defendant from leaving the scene of the accident, Reynolds allegedly accelerated his motorcycle knocking the victim to the ground, prosecutors added.

When police tracked the defendant down almost two weeks after the incident, Reynolds is alleged to have repaired the damage to his motorcycle, prosecutors said.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces more than six years in state prison. Bail on this case was set at \$75,000.

The case remains under investigation by the UCLA Police Department.

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